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LETTER DATED 26 SEPTEMBER 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that United States aircraft continue to violate Iraqi airspace, as follows:

1. 25/26 September 1991: 18 sorties flown by six two-aircraft formations and six single aircraft at a speed of 720 kilometres per hour and at altitudes ranging from 3,000 to 7,000 metres.

2. Flights were for the purpose of observation and provocation and were chiefly centred over the areas of Arbil, Amadiyah, Mosul, Dohuk and Tall Afar.

3. At 0910 hours an aircraft came from Kuwaiti airspace and flew 35 kilometres into Iraqi airspace (south-west of Irtawi) at a speed of 400 kilometres per hour before disappearing into Kuwaiti airspace at 0917 hours.

4. At 1625 hours three helicopters were sighted flying over the area south of Dohuk.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdul Amir A. AL-ANBARI
Ambassador
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